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	Examiner Joy K. Contee	Art Unit 2686	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 4/27/05.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments filed 4/27/05 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues that Challa teaches calculating the difference between an initial and current frequency of a same clock vs. between a main clock and low frequency clock. Examiner disagrees. Challa discloses obtaining the difference between the initial frequency of a sleep clock and a current dynamic frequency of a slow clock signal (see col. 4, lines 31-35). Applicant also states that Challa does not disclose upgrading or downgrading a catnap period according to a result of said comparing step and shortening or lengthening the catnap period in column 6, lines 10-15. However, Examiner disagrees. Challa discloses that the mobile station determines the number of cycles of the sleep clock within the current catnap based on a predetermined length of the catnap, then the integer counter is reset to equal the previous value (col. 6, lines 10-15). Hence, each determination of the number of cycles is iteratively adjusted based on the previous catnap or period, therefore the length of a current catnap is "predetermined" (see further in Challa, col. 6, lines 19-54).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the

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applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Challa et al. (Challa), U.S. Patent No. 6,453,181, used in the previous office action

Regarding claim 1, Challa discloses an adaptive method for reducing power consumption in a standby mode of a digital radio communication terminal, comprising the steps of:

calculating the difference of edge timings between a main clock and a low frequency clock (reads on estimated dynamic frequency error compensation factor representative of a difference between the initial frequency and a current dynamic frequency of the slow frequency clock signal) (col. 4, lines 16-35);

comparing the calculated timing difference with a predetermined difference reference value (reads on fixed frequency drift compensation factor) (see col. 4, lines 24-45); and

upgrading or downgrading a catnap period according to a result of said comparing step (col. 6, lines 10-14).

Regarding claim 2, Challa discloses steps (A) through (C), as applied in claim 1 above. Challa further discloses the following steps: (D) comparing the upgraded or downgraded catnap (i.e., reads on number of cycles in current cat nap) period calculation variable with predetermined maximum and minimum critical values (i.e., reads on predetermined values representative of the length, e.g., length inherently includes a range, i.e., maximum and minimum values) (see col. 6, lines 10-15); and (E)

shortening or lengthening the catnap period according to a result of step (D) (i.e., reads on the fact that length of catnap is determined based on predetermined values) (see col. 6, lines 10-15).

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

5. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joy K. Contee whose telephone number is

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571.272.7906. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 5:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha Banks-Harold can be reached on 571.272.7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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